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#### GOVERNMENT OF GOA

Department of Elections

Goa State Election Commission

#### Order

No. 6/4/CCP/2016-SEC/283

Sub.-: City Corporation Elections 2016—Expenditure  
by Contesting Candidates.

Whereas, the superintendence, direction & control of City Corporation of Panaji in Goa are vested with the Goa State Election Commission under Article 243 ZA of the Constitution of India.

Whereas it is necessary and expedient to provide in the interest of purity of election to CCP wards an account of expenditure incurred by the candidate and for matters connected therein.

Now, therefore, this Commission hereby directs as follows:-

1. The Returning Officer shall provide the format appended hereto to the contesting candidate by last day of the finalization of contesting candidates.
2. The Register so maintained shall be duly numbered and authenticated by the Returning Officer of CCP at the time of issue.
3. All day to day expenditure shall be truly recorded in this register by the candidate or the election agent.
4. All documents such as vouchers, receipts, bills, etc. in support of day to day expenditure incurred shall be maintained in chronological daywise order alongwith the aforesaid format as prescribed.
5. The day to day accounts maintained in the aforesaid format together with the supporting document shall be made available once on the date fixed by the R.O. before the polling date for scrutiny. The R.O. shall fix the date of inspection of documents.
6. The accounts of the candidate shall be scrutinized by the R.O. or by the officer nominated by R.O.
7. The candidate shall also submit to the District Election Officer of the CCP, the expenditure register comprising of day to day expenditure within 30 days of election results without fail.
8. The election expenditure, as submitted by the candidate may be scrutinized by the District Election Officer and submitted to the Goa State Election Commission as soon as possible with brief comments.
9. The Commission on receipt of the report from the DEO will issue a show cause notice to the candidate who has failed to lodge their account of election expense within the time as prescribed above.
10. The show cause notice to the defaulting candidate will be served by the DEO concerned and after serving the notice, the DEO is to send acknowledgment receipt obtained from the candidates.
11. The defaulting candidate may be disqualified by the Commission.

12. The period of disqualification starts from the date of order of disqualification irrespective of period consumed in issuing of the order.
13. The expenses incurred by the Party which can be related to the expenditure of promoting the prospect of particular candidate or group of candidates, shall be treated as expenditure authorized by the candidate concerned and such expenditure shall be counted for election expenses account of the candidate concerned. In those cases where the expense is incurred by the party for the benefit of a given group of candidate the expenses is to be apportioned equally among the candidates.
14. The total maximum limit of election expenses in a City Corporation of Panaji election has been fixed at Rs. 2,50,000/-.
15. Attention of the Returning Officer is invited to the Clause VIII i.e. Limit on Expenditure and Maintenance of Account of Daily Expenditure of the Model Code of Conduct, wherein each candidate is required to open a separate bank account exclusively for the purpose of Elections Expenditure in order to facilitate monitoring of Election Expenditure. The Returning Officer shall ensure strict compliance of the above provision.

Dr. M. Modassir, IAS (Retd.), Commissioner (Goa State Election Commission).

Panaji, 5th February, 2016.

#### Order

No. 6/4/CCP/2016-SEC/284

Sub.- Appointment of General Observer (GO) for General Elections to 30 wards of City Corporation of Panaji (CCP).

Whereas, the General Elections to 30 wards of City Corporation of Panaji (CCP) in the State of Goa are scheduled to be held on 06-03-2016.

And whereas the State Election Commission is vested with the power of superintendence, direction and control of the Municipal Elections to ensure free and fair elections.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers vested in me under Article 243 ZA of the Constitution of India read with Section 11 of The City of Panaji Corporation Act, 2002, I, the undersigned, State Election Commissioner, Goa, do hereby appoint the following Officer of Government of Goa as General Observer (GO) for the purpose of General Elections to 30 wards of CCP to be held on 6th March, 2016.

The CCP GO appointed herein shall monitor the Election process of CCP and accordingly submit periodical reports to concerned District Collector/ District Election Officer (DEO) and this Commission.

Sr. No.	Name & designation of the Officer appointed as Observer	Returning Officer
1.	Shri Sabaji Shetye, Managing Director, Goa Housing Board, Alto Porvorim, Mob: 9422057531	Deputy Collector & SDM, Panaji-Goa.

The GO shall look into public grievance regarding violations of Code of Conduct, Malpractices by the candidates and proper functioning of Returning Officer/Assistant Returning Officer.

The date of poll will be 06th March, 2016 and the hours of poll will be from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. The counting of votes shall be done on 08-03-2016 from 8.00 a.m. till the counting is over. The above appointed officer shall take charge of his duty immediately and he shall be functional till 10th March, 2016. The GO shall submit 1st report after joining, 02nd report after scrutiny and withdrawal i.e. 20th February, 2016, 03rd report on 5th March, 2016 i.e. after dispatch of the polling parties, 04th report after completion of the poll i.e. on 06th March, 2016 at 07.00 p.m. and last report after counting i.e. on 08th March, 2016 to this Commission.

The duties and responsibilities allotted to the GO appointed herein above are as shown below:-

- a) To watch the conduct of elections and the counting of votes and guide the RO in conducting training classes for polling personnel and counting rehearsals.
- b) In case of any irregularities noticed by the GO, RO may be directed to initiate action as per provisions of Law and Model Code of Conduct in force under intimation to the State Election Commission so as to conduct election in free & fair manner. For this purpose the GO is permitted to use Telephone/Fax facilities available in the Office of the RO.
- c) Copies of the following documents may be collected at the earliest:
  - i. Authority letter to enter the polling stations and place of counting.
  - ii. Car pass for GO.
  - iii. List of Polling Stations.

- d) Two copies of passport size photograph may kindly be made available to the Commission for the purpose of issuing a badge to the Observer.
  - e) The GO will have to submit to the State Election Commission immediately after the last day of counting of votes, a brief note containing his observations at the time of polling and counting alongwith his suggestions, if any.
  - f) The GO shall use his own official vehicle available in his Department/Office.
  - g) The RO shall provide adequate security and support services such as providing fuel, stationery, etc. to the Observer.
  - h) The GO may use his official vehicle alongwith driver to perform election duties.
- Dr. M. Modassir, IAS (Retd.), Commissioner (Goa State Election Commission).
- Panaji, 5th February, 2016.

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